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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Attached hereto is a Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate A Double Patenting Rejection and a Request for Recordation of Assignment. A check in the amount of \$170 is attached to cover the \$130 Terminal Disclaimer fee and the \$40 Recordation fee.

In response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2004, Applicants hereby submit the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows: